

MR. SPEAKER.—The question is :

“That leave be granted to introduce the Karnataka Appropriation Bill, 1979.”

The motion was adopted

SRI S. M. YAHYA.—Sir, I beg to introduce the Karnataka Appropriation Bill, 1979.

SRI C. M. ARMUGHAM.—I have been observing of late the Bills are given to us at the last moment. I feel it difficult to study the bills then and there and offer our remarks.

MR. SPEAKER.—According to rules, Government should send the Bills to the members 7 days in advance. This rule is not being observed of late. I suggest to the Government that these Bills should be circulated to the members 7 days earlier.

SRI S. M. YAHYA.—As far as Money Bills are concerned, they can be taken up only after the demands are voted by the House. Since the House has given its consent to the estimates for 1978-79-supplementary estimates, we have introduced the Appropriation Bill for the consideration.

SRI C. M. ARMUGHAM.—I referred to the bills other than Money Bills. Some bills are introduced and taken up for consideration and passing the same day. This sort of procedure is being followed for the last few days. This has caused inconvenience to the member to offer their views on the Bills.

MR. SPEAKER.—The Hon. Minister will please convey to the Government that this practice is not to continue. Some times it becomes difficult to convince the hon. members. The Bill is introduced.**

SRI S. M. YAHYA.—This time it has happened due to special circumstances.

Reported news-item about scant courtesy shown to the P M. at Bangalore on his way to Cochin

SRI C. M. ARMUGHAM.—The Prime Minister of our country on his way to Cochin, changed over the plane at Bangalore Airport. Normally all these years I have found one of our Ministers going and meeting the Prime Minister even at the time of change over of the plane. I know our Chief Minister and the Finance Minister including Chief Secretary were at Delhi at the time of his visit to Bangalore and therefore they could not go to the Airport to extend our State's

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courtesies to our Prime Minister. No doubt our Protocol Officer was present at the Airport but some of the Ministers who were present in the headquarters did not go to the Airport. After all he is the Prime Minister of our great country. He should be given all the respect and the courtesies due to him. I would like to know why the Ministers who were present at headquarters did not go to the airport on that date and meet the Prime Minister. Our State and the entire country will be watching us.

SRI. S. M. YAHYA.—Our Prime Minister, had not visited Bangalore but had a stop over at Bangalore. At that time our Hon. Chief Minister, myself and the Chief Secretary were all in Delhi. In fact, number of hon' Members desired that we should go and receive him. Our Government and Ministers would not like to show discourtesy to our Prime Minister. That was not our intention at all. But my colleagues were not knowing it. There also we regret very much for it. It is necessary that in future also we should see that fullest courtesy is be shown to our Prime Minister. Technically, there is nothing wrong since the Prime Minister was passing through. Bu' whatever courtesy has to be shown will be shown. It is our duty to do so. But because of the absence of our Chief Minister, it has happened like that. Information could not be conveyed to other Ministers to go and receive him. We have the fullest respect and regards to our Prime Minister

SRI. C. M. ARMUGHAM.—Whenever the Chief Minister was in headquarters, he used to meet and received Prime Minister though it was a stop over. Now the Hon. Minister says that there was no information. Prime Minister's programme usually will be sent to the Government. If they have not received how did the Protocol Officer went ? It is his duty to inform the Ministers. There are other Ministers here who could have gone and receive him. It is not correct.

†SRI D. DEVARAJ URS.—Sir, I was able to make out what the subject matter raised by Sri Armugaham was. I would like to make our position clear. The Prime Minister or any other dignitories -either from the Govt. of India or elsewhere-passes through our State, there is one clear instruction fro the Government of India. Whenever the Prime Minister passes through our State on his onward jou ney to some other place, no Minister need go. To that effect there is clear instruction from the Goverment of India itself. Nevertheless, though the circular is there, we had made it a point that as and whei Prime Minister comes, some of us will go and receive him. I have got it checked up. Information was there to my office and also to DPAR. According to the instructions they have not intimated to anybody. I cannot find fault with anybody because they have not violated the rules. In my office, they could have given instructions

to some other Minister to go and receive the Prime Minister. So, there was some lapse in my office particularly. Because, I was not present, it so happened that no Minister was able to go. It was neither the fault of the Finance Minister nor other Ministers. They do not know it. If I talk on rules, nobody can take objection. But whenever Prime Minister comes, as a matter of courtesy I think we could go and receive him. This time, because I was not present, there was some lapse. It is a lapse but not a disrespect. This point I must make it very clear. He is not the Prime Minister of one party or one section of the country. He is our Prime Minister and the Prime Minister of our country. I know what courtesy we should show to the office of the Prime Minister. The position of the Prime Minister and his office is very important and we have to respect it. And all the courtesy we have to show. This is the situation under which such lapse has taken place. I am sorry for it.

Karnataka Motor Vehicles (Taxation) Amendment Bill, 1979

Introduction

SRI R. GUNDU RAO (Minister for Transport and Tourism).—
I move :

“That Leave be granted to introduce the Karnataka Motor Vehicles (Taxation) (Amendment) Bill, 1979”

MR. SPEAKER.—Motion moved :

The question is.

“That leave be granted to introduce the Karnataka Motor Vehicles (Taxation) (Amendment) Bill, 1979”

The motion was adopted

SRI R. GUNDU RAO.—I move :

“Introduce the Karnataka Motor Vehicles (Taxation) (Amendment) Bill, 1979”

MR. SPEAKER.—The Bill is introduced.**

Karnataka Appropriation Bill, 1979.

MOTION TO CONSIDER

SRI S. M. YAHYA (Minister for Finance).—I move :

“That the Karnataka Appropriation Bill, 1979 be taken into consideration”

The question was proposed.

**Bill appended as Annexure to this volume.